

LOCAL BASEBALL AND
SOFTBALL ACTION GEARS UP

Local teams hosted opening games last weekend. **7A**



RARE DISEASE DAY AT
THE STATE CAPITOL

Locals travel to Jackson to bring awareness to rare diseases. **1B**

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

COFFEE WITH A COP

The next installment of Coffee with a Cop in Bay St. Louis will be held at Bay St. Louis City Hall on March 27 at 8:30 a.m.

GNAT NATIONALS
OPEN CAR SHOW

The Misfits Street Krewzers classic car club will host its largest fundraiser of the year, the 20th annual Gnat Nationals open car/truck/bike show, today, Saturday, March 3, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church.

FISH DINNERS

American Legion Post 139 in Bay St. Louis will host fish dinners every Friday for Lent through March 30, featuring fish three ways, fried, blackened or Old Bay, served with coleslaw, fresh cut fries and hush puppies for \$10.

THE KINGS
KITCHEN

The King's Kitchen, in Bay St. Louis, will now be feeding the hungry every Saturday from 11:30 to 12:30. The soup kitchen is also seeking churches to sponsor Saturday meals.



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Baria enters U.S. Senate race



David Baria on Friday, supported by his family, announced his candidacy for the U.S. Senate.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
NEWS EDITOR

Mississippi state Rep. David Baria on Wednesday announced he would seek the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate and made it official with a press conference and speech delivered from the Hancock County Courthouse steps on Friday. "I think Mississippi has had a poor return on its investment from our current team in Washington," Baria said Friday. "I'm well aware Mississippi hasn't had a Democratic senator in Washington in 30 years – I think it's time for a change. ... It's time we had someone in Washington to stand up

for the people at home." "I want to give voters a true choice," Baria said in a press release Wednesday, "and I plan to spend the campaign listening to voters and working hard to earn their trust." Baria is the Democratic minority leader in the state House of Representatives. He will face competition in the primary on June 5, including Meridian businessman Howard Sherman, who is also the husband of actress Sela Ward; Jensen Bohren of Benton; Jerone Garland of Kosciusko; Victor G. Maurice, Jr. of Pass Christian; and his fellow Mississippi Rep. Omeria Scott of Laurel. The winner of the

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MDAH asks Bay
to issue temporary
stop-work order
on PJ's Coffee project



The buildings at 207 and 209 Main Street were rebuilt with grant money after Hurricane Katrina.

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

In late February, the Mississippi Department of History and Archives asked that the city of Bay St. Louis issue a stop work order on the properties at 207 and 209 Main Street. In January, PJ's Coffee of New Orleans announced that New Orleans developers Jim and Catherine MacPhaille would be the owners of the new coffeehouse, which would be located at 207 and 209 Main Street. At a February Bay St. Louis City Council meeting, several residents

voiced criticism about the project to council members, saying that it would be unfair to other local businesses to bring a "chain" coffee shop to Old Town; that a drive-thru would be a safety hazard; or that it would destroy Old Town's character. At the Feb. 9 meeting, the council voted to approve the Bay St. Louis Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation. MacPhaille's plans for the buildings were approved the Bay St. Louis Historic Commission prior to appearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission.

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PASS MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT ARRESTED
AFTER 'FAKE THREATS' ON SOCIAL MEDIA

BY STACEY CATO
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A Pass Christian Middle School student was arrested this week after police say threats were made on social media against the school. On Wednesday, the Pass Christian Police

Department arrested a student after the child allegedly made "fake" threatening statements against the school. Pass Christian Police Chief Tim Hendricks confirmed the incident and said the student's missives were "fake threats." Hendricks said at no time were any of

the students at Pass Middle School in actual danger. The threat was said to have been made via social media. School personnel became aware of the threats in the early morning hours and contacted police.

2 MULES
ABANDONED
WITH SIGNS OF NEGLECT



The two mules are now under the care of staff at the Hancock County Animal Shelter and volunteer farrier Nathaniel Dawsey for the treatment of their hooves.

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Hancock County Sheriff's Office Animal Control Officer Dee Burnett on Tuesday rescued two mules that were abandoned near the cemetery on Flat Top Road. "Body-wise, they're not too bad," she said. "But they've been neglected.

Their hooves are bad and they are having difficulty walking." Burnett said the mules are also having a difficult time eating because their teeth haven't been routinely filed down. "When horses or mules eat, they chew side to side," Burnett said. "Points form on their teeth making it so

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DIAMONDHEAD MAN UP FOR MISSISSIPPI RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION'S WATER OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

BY CASSANDRA
FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

On April 18, Diamondhead Water and Sewer District's Operations and Maintenance Manager Joe Higginbotham will learn if he has been chosen Mississippi Rural Water Association's Water Operator of the Year.

He is one of two nominees, former general manager of the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District Nancy Depreo said.

Depreo said she nominated Higginbotham last year.

"He's been working in Diamondhead for years," she said. "He's a good Christian and family

man."

Higginbotham said Thursday he's been working for the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District for more than 12 years.

"I take care of the waste water treatment plant, the lift stations and the water system," he said.

Higginbotham said he likes the security and dependability of his job. Another favorite aspect of his job is his co-workers and also likes working close to home.

Higginbotham is married to Natasha and they have two children.

After he learned of his nomination, Higginbotham said he felt, "surprised, overwhelmed and very much honored."

"I'm not very much for

awards," he said. "I don't do what I do for awards."

The Mississippi Rural Water Association will announce the Operator of the Year recipient at its annual convention in Biloxi on April 18.

According to msrwa.org, the Mississippi Rural Water Association is the "state's largest water and wastewater utility membership organization."

The association also provides training sessions and continuing education unit credits.

Learn more at www.msrwa.org.

Learn more about the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District at www.dwsd.us.



Photo courtesy of Joe Higginbotham

From back left, Joe, son Carter, wife Natasha. Daughter Presley standing in front.

Cuz's for the Cause

SEA COAST ECHO

Community Raises Nearly \$6,000 to Help 23 Charities

This week, during the Inaugural Cuz's for the Cause Fundraiser, the community came out in full force to raise nearly \$6,000 to help 23 causes that are under the Hancock Community Development Foundation.

"We are honored to have the opportunity to sponsor this event," said Christy Barnes, co-owner with Melvin of Cuz's Old Town Oyster Bar & Grill. "The Foundation helped us tremendously after Katrina and we wanted to do something to give back."

The crowd of well-wishers enjoyed Cuz's famous New Orleans style cuisine while rocking to the sounds of the Dave Mayley Band featuring Foundation chair Leslie Henderson and introducing local businessman Kevin Estrade.

"When you can make one small donation to help support the work of 23 different causes in our community that's something to celebrate," said Henderson.

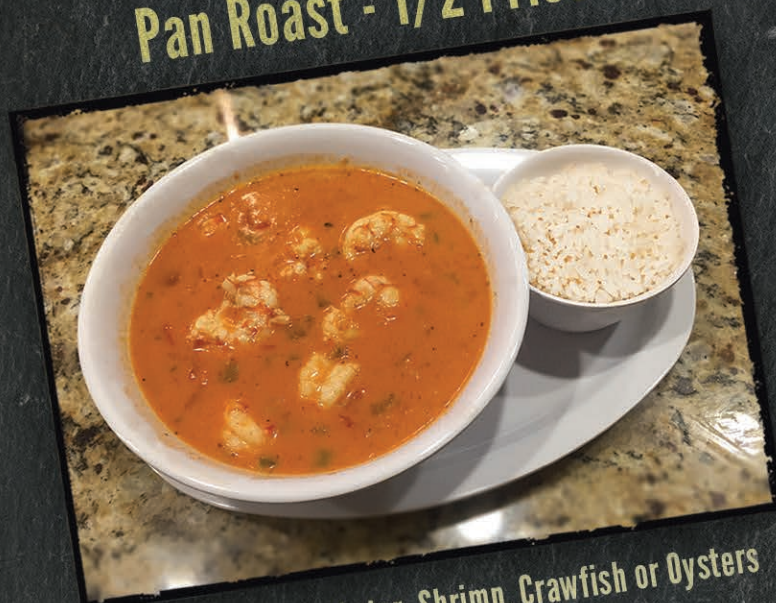
Proceeds raised benefit the Hancock Community Development Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit charity founded by the Chamber of Commerce more than a decade ago. The Foundation acts as an umbrella organization, incubating and supporting community causes that range from the arts to education, historic preservation to beautification, greenways and byways, youth and safety programs, park improvements and small business and leadership initiatives. For a complete list of funds the Foundation supports and to reserve tickets to the event on line go to www.hancockchamber.org.



Cuz's for the Cause raised nearly \$6,000 on Thursday to help 23 local causes that are under the umbrella of the Hancock County Development Foundation. Pictured are, from left, LiLi Stahler; Bay-Waveland Schools Assistant Superintendent Dr. Cherie Labat; Leslie Henderson, founder of Lazy Magnolia and president of the HCDF; Cuz's owners Cuz & Christy Barnes; and Hancock Chamber Director Tish Williams.

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Former firefighter on probation for arson back in jail for alleged child neglect

BY STACEY CATO
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Former volunteer firefighter and whistle-blower against DHS Marie Gill was arrested last week in Harrison County on two counts of child neglect and probation violation for arson.

Gill, a mother of four, was arrested by Gulfport police after officers say they responded to a child neglect report at her home on Windridge Drive.

According to a police report, officers arrived at Gill's home at around 11:04 a.m. last Friday. Upon arrival, Gill's 10-year-old daughter was found to be alone in the home with her two-month-old sister. When officers asked the girl where an adult was, she told them her mother had left at around 11 a.m. and her babysitter, a Gulfport police officer's wife, lived just down the street and was at her home.

According to the report, Gill arrived on the scene a short time later and told police the officer's wife was supposed to watch all

of her children while she had gone to visit her probation officer, but the neighbor and "babysitter" told officers she only agreed to watch Gill's two sons, who had gone to her home to play with her daughter. She said she didn't realize the girls had been left home alone and that she was supposed to be watching them.

Gill was arrested on two counts of contributing to the neglect of a child and DHS was called to the scene, according to the report. Gill was transported to the Harrison County Adult Detention Center. Gill's probation officer who immediately revoked her probation on the arsons due to the incident.

Gill pled guilty to her role in two fires that were intentionally set by her and other members of two local fire departments in 2014.

Investigators said Gill and other firefighters were intentionally setting the fires just so they could get the thrill of responding to fires and putting them out.

All of the fires were in wooded areas and at unoccupied dwellings. Nobody was injured during the fires; however, several



Gill

pieces of property were damaged. All of the firefighters involved in the case were removed from the two fire departments, officials said, but only two were indicted.

Gill was sentenced to 20 years in prison, with 17 years suspended, leaving her three years to serve on house arrest. Additionally, Gill was ordered to pay nearly \$60,000 in restitution for the so called "fire cult" incident. Her attorney asked the judge for house arrest so that she could begin paying the restitution and continue to care for her children.

After an incident following her arrest on the arson charges in 2015, Gill was a self-described whistle-blower against DHS which later led to a crimi-

nal investigation and federal lawsuit. DHS officials forged and/or altered official documents during a child custody case after Gill had signed them. One DHS official was later fired during the course of the sheriff's office investigation.

Gill contacted The Seacoast Echo from jail and said, "I can't believe people would lie to manipulate a situation and take away my kids. This isn't the first time, either."

She maintains that her children were in the care of a responsible adult who happened to be a law enforcer's wife, a neighbor, and regular babysitter.

DHS turned three of Gill's children over to their father. Her infant was left in the care of her boyfriend's mother. Animal control was also dispatched to the scene and took the family dog.

On Monday, Gill pled not guilty to the charges of neglect in Harrison County. She was later transferred to the Hancock County Jail, where she remained at press time Friday on a hold for MDOC for her probation violation.

Hancock grand jury wants more drug inspections at local schools

BY GEOFF BELCHER
NEWS EDITOR

Hancock County Grand Jury this week recommended, among other things, that the Hancock County Sheriff's Office have an increased presence at county school district events; and that the sheriff's K-9 Narcotics unit be allowed "increased access to county schools for unannounced narcotics inspections."

Hancock County Sheriff Ricky Adam said Friday he would be happy to oblige.

Adam said the school district does "cooperate with us" on school inspections, but added "We'd like to do it four or five or six times a year, instead of just two times a year."

The grand jury also recommended that the Hancock County Board of

Supervisors "continue progress in addressing the security needs and facility maintenance at the Hancock County Courthouse."

Grand jury reports are issued after each six-month session. Every grand jury for the past four years has recommended increased security at the courthouse, including, according to this session's report, "that metal detectors and video surveillance be installed" at the courthouse and other government buildings -- including Hancock Youth Court.

The current grand jury further recommended that the board of supervisors "and local municipalities evaluate the need for additional security options, such as cameras, for public parks, campgrounds and piers for better public safety and to aid law enforce-

ment." During its six-month period, a grand jury hears from multiple local leaders about events taking place in the community.

Grand jury members also tour several local government locations, including the sheriff's office, jail, and county administrative facilities.

In its final report, a grand jury typically issues recommendations which it feels will benefit crime fighting in the future.

The recommendations are non-binding.

During the past six months, the grand jury heard 149 cases. Of those, 91 indictments -- or "true bills" were issued; 23 cases were "no-billed," meaning the grand jury did not find enough evidence that warranted an inducement; two cases were passed to the next grand jury; 30 cases

were returned to law enforcement agencies; and three cases had been docketed "in error."

Of the True Bills of Indictment, eight cases were returned to law enforcement officers as "enhanced penalties; and two cases were returned as "habitual offenders."

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Careers on the Coast Job Fair to be Held at Southern Miss Gulf Park

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More than 40 employers will be represented at the 2018 "Careers on the Coast" Networking and Job Fair on Tuesday, March 6, at The University of Southern Mississippi (USM) Gulf Park campus in Long Beach.

Hosted by Career Services, "Careers on the Coast" provides USM students and alumni the opportunity to network with professionals and prospective employers from industries across South Mississippi.

Employers will be on hand to offer information on a variety of full-time, part-time and internship positions, as well as volunteer and community service opportunities with select organizations. The event will be held from 4-7 p.m. in the Gulf Coast Library on the USM Gulf Park campus.

"Students can expect to see employers from a wide range of industries and fields who will be excited to meet and talk with the

students. This is a great time to practice developing confidence in creating a network of contacts for future pursuit," said Jona Burton, assistant director of Career Services for the Gulf Park campus.

During the job fair, students will have the ability to give their "60-second elevator pitch" and make positive first impressions while speaking and interacting with potential employers.

The event is open to all current USM students and alumni. Business attire is required.

For more information about "Careers on the Coast," contact Jona Burton at 228.214.3330 or email jona.burton@usm.edu.

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GUEST OPINION

by Representative
Carolyn Crawford

House Weekly Summary for Feb. 26-March 2

The deadline for House committees to pass Senate bills occurred Tuesday. Any Senate bills that did not make it out of these committees died. Throughout the rest of the week, the House met to discuss these bills. Representatives passed a number of Senate bills, including the following:

“Katie’s Law” would be enacted with the passage of Senate Bill 2568, which provides that DNA samples may be destroyed by the Mississippi Forensics Lab only under certain conditions.

Candidate hopefuls would have to meet a residency requirement with the passage of Senate Bill 2178. Anyone seeking the office of Highway Commissioner, Department of Agriculture Commissioner or District Attorney would have to be a resident of the state district in question for five years before running for the position.

In an effort to expand reemployment protections for military servicemen and veterans the House passed Senate Bill 2459, which would ensure that a service member or veteran be restored to his or her previous position after returning from training with the Armed Forces in another state.

With the passage of Senate Bill 2527 no civil liability could be imposed against a person or entity for providing information about insurance fraud to any law enforcement, insurer or statutory residual market plan.

Municipalities that have voted to permit the sale and consumption of alcohol would be able to establish leisure and recreation districts with the passage of Senate Bill 2588. Leisure and recreation districts would allow consumers to walk from place to place with alcohol within a designated area.

All Senate bills approved by the House will be sent back to the Senate for final concurrence. The Senate will begin sending House bills back for Representatives to finalize, as well.

On Thursday, Representative Robert Huddleston of Sumner announced his resignation from the House of Representatives after 23 years of service. Governor Phil Bryant will determine when a special election for House District 30 will be held at a later date.

Several groups visited legislators at the Capitol this week, including Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Mississippi Farm Bureau and the March of Dimes.

Wicker Focuses on Naval Readiness

New Bill Addresses Needed Reforms in the Wake of Last Year’s Fatal Collisions



FROM THE SENATE

by **Roger Wicker**
U.S. SENATOR

Over the course of about 10 weeks last summer, two of the Navy’s Arleigh Burke-class destroyers collided with two commercial ships in the Pacific. The first of those collisions involved the USS Fitzgerald off the coast of Japan, taking the lives of seven U.S. sailors.

The second involved the USS John McCain near Singapore and took 10 lives. Repairing the extensive damages to these vessels is estimated to cost upwards of half a billion dollars. The tragic loss of life cannot be measured.

The Navy has conducted investigations into the incidents, concluding they were preventable. The collision report it released last November pointed to a lapse in operating procedures, inadequate training, crew fatigue, and errors made by the ship’s leadership. These are troubling findings, and they illustrate the tragic consequences of the stress put on our Navy in recent years. We are asking our sailors to do more with fewer ships and fewer training opportunities.

Shortly after the collision report was made public, the Navy released its

Strategic Readiness Review, a rigorous independent evaluation of the entire fleet’s operations and organization stretching back three decades. The review’s recommendations for readiness included the need to meet supply needs, reform chains of command, and support a culture of continued learning.

Reforms to Match Recommendations

The Navy can take some administrative steps to strengthen readiness and protect our sailors from avoidable accidents at sea. However, congressional action is necessary. Congress has a role in funding the ships and equipment that our military needs. As Chairman of the Senate

Seapower Subcommittee, I have introduced a bill to match the Navy’s readiness recommendations with the immediate implementation

of reforms. The conditions that contributed to the USS Fitzgerald and USS John McCain must end.

More specifically, my “Surface Warfare Enhancement Act” would target maintenance practices, training, and personnel management. For example, surface warfare officers would need to meet certain training requirements before assuming critical posts on ships. In addition, the Navy would create more accurate projections for crew workloads and the maintenance of ships. Ship maintenance would have more oversight, and the Navy would have more flexibility in the use of its maintenance funds. Chains of command would be subject to intense review.

Our Sailors Need More Ships

Efforts to improve naval

readiness go hand in hand with efforts to modernize and expand our fleet. The number of ships has a direct impact on the ability of our sailors to fulfill their missions. These readiness challenges and the Navy’s call for more ships led to the creation of the “SHIPS Act” that I introduced with Congressman Rob Wittman (R-Va.). Thankfully, Congress and the President recognized the urgent need to act now if we want to build a fleet capable of advancing our national interests amid growing threats. The “SHIPS Act” was signed into law last year, making it our national policy to meet the Navy’s force structure requirement of 355 ships.

With only 281 ships currently in the Navy’s fleet, we have a long way to go to meet even this minimum requirement. But the heartbreaking lessons of the USS Fitzgerald and USS John McCain are ones we must heed, recognizing the shortcomings that exist in the training and resources available to our sailors. Their missions begin with preparedness here at home.



KEMPER DEBACLE NOW OVER

It’s been a decade, but the Kemper lignite power plant debacle is finally over and done. Mississippi dodged a bazooka.

Last month, the Mississippi Public Service Commission (PSC) settled with Mississippi Power Company (MPC) and its parent Southern Company of Atlanta.

The settlement means the utility company can pass on \$1.1 billion of Kemper costs to 187,000 customers, about \$6,000 per customer. That’s more than MPC deserves but it beats the heck out of the full Kemper price tag of \$8 billion. That would have been \$43,000 per ratepaying household – an impossible burden for one of the poorest areas of the United States.

The PSC believed that



GUEST OPINION

by **Wyatt Emmerich**
Publisher/Northside Sun

the risk of losing a lawsuit and the risk of MPC bankruptcy was worth the steep price of the settlement.

As a result of the settlement, rates will go down slightly. This is a much better outcome than the predicted 45 percent rate increase had the full cost of Kemper been absorbed into the rate base.

Kemper was a beast of the Baseload Act, a terrible piece of state legislation that allowed a utility company to start charging customers for new power plants before they were put

into service.

Pity the poor ratepayers in South Carolina and Georgia. Because of the Baseload Act, they are on the hook for three unfinished nuclear power plants.

The V.C. Summer nuclear plant in South Carolina is half finished and may cost \$25 billion. The Vogtle nuclear plant in Georgia will cost about the same.

Unlike Mississippi, ratepayers in these states are legally on the hook for the full amount. That’s because the public service

commissions in those states deemed these projects “prudent” before they were completed.

Once deemed prudent, there is no going back. The ratepayers are on the hook. It will be devastating for these two states.

So how did Mississippi avoid this fate? PSC Commissioner Brandon Presley answered that question by publicly thanking Kelley Williams, Charles Grayson and Tom Blanton and myself during a speech at the Stennis Press Forum this week.

“Let me say this on Kemper,” Presley told the crowd assembled at the top floor of the Capitol Towers building. “I don’t normally call people out, but this case was the toughest case

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Local Residents Earn Degree from WGU

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SALT LAKE CITY (Grassroots Newswire) March 2, 2018 - The following local students have received their degree from Western Governors University (WGU). The university held its 64th commencement ceremony at the Disney Coronado Springs Resort in Orlando on February 10th to celebrate the graduation of about 15,000 graduates from across the country.

* Crystal Whipps of Diamondhead (39525) has received her Bachelor of Science in Business Management degree.

* Rachelle Dix of Pass Christian (39571) has received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

At commencement, the online, nonprofit university recognized 8,839 undergraduates and 6,117 graduates who have completed their degrees in business, informa-

tion technology, K-12 teacher education, and healthcare, including nursing. More than 1,100 new alumni participating in the ceremony. Graduates who were not able to attend the ceremony were able to watch the event via live video stream on WGU's website.

Thirty-nine percent of this year's graduates represent the first generation in their family to complete college. The average time to graduation for bachelor's degrees was 2 years, 3 months. The average time to graduation for graduate programs was 1 year, 7 months.

Designed to meet the needs of working adults, WGU's competency-based education model makes it possible for students to fit studying into their busy lives. Students complete courses as soon as they demonstrate that they have mastered the subject matter, enabling them to move quickly through material they already know and spend more time on focusing on

what they still need to learn. As a result, many students are able to accelerate their studies, finishing faster and saving money.

About WGU

Established in 1997 by 19 U.S. governors with a mission to expand access to high-quality, affordable higher education, online, nonprofit WGU now serves 94,000 students nationwide and has 101,000 graduates in all 50 states. Driving innovation as the nation's leading competency-based university, WGU has been recognized by the White House, state leaders, employers, and students as a model that works in postsecondary education.

In just 21 years, the university has become a leading influence in changing the lives of individuals and families, and preparing the workforce needed in today's rapidly evolving economy. WGU is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, has been named one

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Kergosien will be guest speaker at Hancock Historical Society luncheon

SEA COAST ECHO
The Hancock County Historical Society will host its March luncheon on Thursday, March 15, beginning at noon at the Kate Lobrano House. The guest speaker will be Aimes Kergosien, who will speak on passages from the book "Pearls: Myths and Memories of Hancock County," written by Christ Vinsonhaler, editor, and Elizabeth Veglia, project director. Reservations are required and may be made by calling 467-4090. Reservations must be made by noon on Wednesday, March 14, in order to help plan seating, which is limited to 48 people; and to apprise the society of the number of lunches to order. Lunch is \$12, payable at the door, catered by Almost Home Catering, Michelle Nichols, chef.

Upcoming programs at Pass Christian Library

SEA COAST ECHO
Christian Stephenson, Hancock County Extension agent, will present a program on "Composting" on Wednesday, March 14th at 2pm in the conference room of the Pass Christian Public Library. This program will include information on how to start

and maintain a compost system for home gardeners.

Andy Collins from MSU-Extension will present 2 computer classes: Tablets 101 on Thurs, March 15th@1pm. From choosing the right tablet for you to getting the hang of basic settings, multi-tasking gestures and the most popular apps, this

class will help you get started with your tablet. Please bring your device to class with you. Technology Security on Fri., March 16th@1pm. As technology becomes more and more ingrained into our lifestyles, we find that we have more new data that has to be protected. This vast amount of data makes it that much

more lucrative for hackers and opportunists to try to steal it from us, so we have to remain constantly vigilant to maintain security. This presentation will go over basic steps we can all take to maintain technology security including: improving passwords, malware protection, and physical security.

These classes are open to the public! The Pass Christian Library is located at 111 Hiern Avenue in Pass Christian. For more information or to sign up, please call 228-452-4596 or email passchristianlibrary@gmail.com.

Kemper

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we ever had before the commission with a ton of press coverage. And I've said to the Wyatt Emmerichs of the world and the Kelley Williams, Charles Graysons and Tom Blantons and the others: Robust participation in this case made the commission do its job better. This participation helped us get to a resolution that not many people thought would be possible."

Earlier in the week, Presley called me personally to offer his thanks: "We wouldn't have gotten to this spot without your editorial courage and without Tom Blanton having performed extraordinarily as a private citizen. Nobody was covering Kemper until you started covering it. Until you got involved, I had no backup. None. It's the honest to God truth. We can all sit down there in a position to vote but if nobody knows the true facts of it, you can't persuade public opinion."

The reality is this: Newspapers exposed Kemper for what it was – a boondoggle of monumental proportions – early enough to prevent a prudence declaration by the PSC. That delay of prudence gave the plant time to fail before ratepayers got stuck. We saved them billions and billions of dollars, avoiding an economic albatross around the neck of our state that would have haunted us for generations.

If I never do another productive thing in my life, I have earned my degree. Too bad I don't get paid anything. In fact I lost hundreds of thousands in advertising and other lost business fighting this battle. I could write a book.

I ask one thing in return: Support newspapers. Keep subscribing. You may not immediately see the benefit of original

reporting and original news gathering, but it can stymie corruption and save untold billions. Kemper is case in point. Facebook didn't do this. Newspapers did.

Like all things in Mississippi, my Kemper reporting began with a personal connection. My best friend Bob Crisler grew up with Flora native Chip Estes, an expert in the energy field. Over sushi at Nagoya, he persuaded me to look into the Kemper deal. One thing led to another.

In truth several people had bigger roles than me. PSC Brandon Presley deserves the most credit. He opposed Kemper from day one. It was obvious common sense to him that you could not scale a plant by a factor of 100 without Murphy's Law taking effect.

Tom Blanton put his own money on the line to file a lawsuit stopping the PSC. His lawsuit won at the state Supreme Court, halting prudence at a critical stage. Louie Miller, head of the state Sierra Club, was critical. Northside Sun's own Kelley Williams, with his relentless editorial onslaught of logic, played a huge role as did his technical colleague Charles Grayson. There were many more, all of whom donated their time, money and reputations for one thing alone: the good of the state.

Kelley Williams had been writing about Kemper on his Bigger Pie blog but he wasn't getting traction. When we started printing his columns, things changed. "There's something magical about print," he kept telling me that again and again, like a mantra.

Yes, there is something magical about print. It is my hope that this magic will allow newspapers to survive another 200 years exposing corruption and fighting for a better government and society. We will have to change and adapt, but I believe it will be so.

Museum Partnership Brings Cultural Event to Coleman Avenue

SEA COAST ECHO
After all the fanfare of Mardi Gras has long been put away Lisa Latino Keel, Multimedia artist, continues to bring the memories of the glory days of Mardi Gras in her vintage jewelry and bead work.

Working in Partnership with the Ground Zero Museum and The Arts, Hancock County, Keel is the first artist to have her work on display in this combined Museum, Art Partnership of Art on Coleman Avenue. Keel takes her Vintage glass beads that were once lost and brings them back to life in new bold settings of silk thread, Russian Gold plated wire and findings.

Keel's design process is to conceptualize the piece of jewelry first, and then it goes through an actual artistic phase where the piece is drawn out

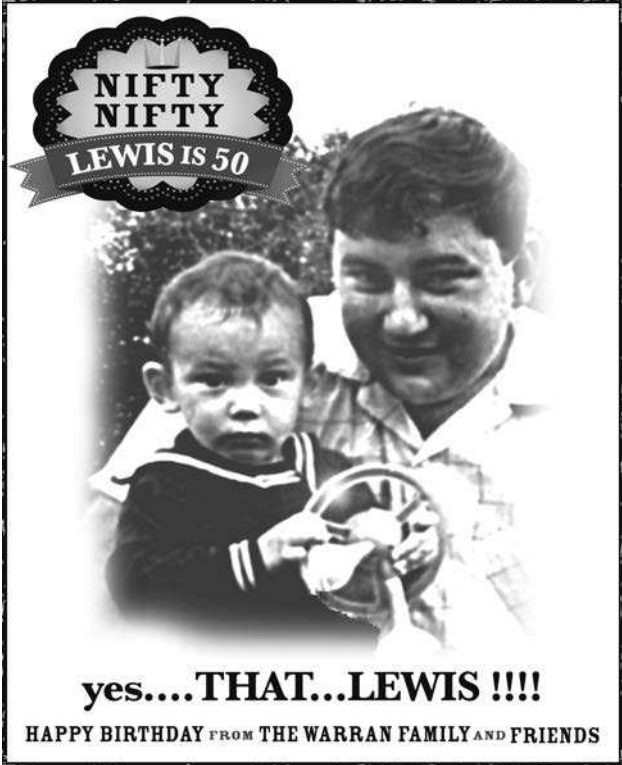
from the concept before the actually beading of the piece becomes wearable art. Leaning heavily on Mardi Gras colors; purple, green and gold, each antique piece is an original one of a kind work of art that cannot be replicated.

"After Hurricane Katrina something very special happened, I was searching like so many others for my personal possessions, when the concept of my Decadence Collection was brought to life. While the 26 foot tidal surge took away everything I owned here on the Mississippi Gulf Coast it could not take away the traditions of my family, the love of Mardi Gras and the memories of my grandparents being King and Queen of Mardi Gras Courts, and the wide-eyed innocence of playing in my Grandmother Iris's jewel-

ry box "said Keel. This love of family and tradition is seen throughout her work in her beaded work for the home, jewelry embellishments and vin-

tage beads.

The exhibit will run through the month of March.



Jimmie Ladner, Jr. Hancock County Tax Assessor / Collector Homestead Exemption Applications Accepted

Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from January 2, 2018 through March 30, 2018, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2018** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.

- A) Warranty deed
- B) Cost of property
- C) Down payment amount
- D) License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County. **(All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)**
- E) If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required.
- F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
- G) Is any part of the property rented

You must re-file your homestead exemption application if

- A) You became 65 on or before January 1, 2018
- B) You became 100% disabled service connected veteran on or before January 1, 2018
- C) You acquired a new residence
- D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead.
- E) Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

If you have any questions please call **228-467-5727**

Jimmie Ladner, Jr.
Tax Assessor / Collector Hancock County



PASS CHRISTIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST 'DAVID BIDWELL AND THE GOLDEN AGE OF NEW ORLEANS THEATER'

SEA COAST ECHO

The Pass Christian Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, March 12 at 7 p.m.

Our speaker will be Will Koolsbergen, Professor Emeritus of the City University of New York and Fellow at Tulane University, assisted by Jennifer Spicer and Sue Young (both MLA at

Tulane).

David Bidwell was one of the most important theatre producers of the second half of the 19th century. At one point he owned 4 theatres in the American sector of New Orleans. He and his wife, Louise, owned a home in Pass Christian (the Saucier Bidwell Pratt house). This presentation will cover the highlights of David Bidwell's career in theatre,

his legacy and his love of Pass Christian.

The Historical Society is located at 201 East Scenic Drive in Pass Christian. The meeting is free and everyone is welcome to attend. Please call the Historical Society at 228-452-7254 or email president@passhistory.org, if you have any questions or need further information.

Mules

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they can't chew from side to side."

After the animals were brought to the Hancock County Animal Shelter, Burnett said horse farrier Nathaniel Dawsey of Pearlinton volunteered to treat the animals' hooves.

Hancock County Animal Shelter Director Shane Wyman said that Dawsey was able to trim their feet, but will have to put them under anesthesia to straighten the hooves.

One hoof on one of the mules may be beyond care, but Wyman said the veterinarian indicated that he or she had "seen it worse."

Wyman said that he has been in con-

tact with a donkey rescue group in north Mississippi which is going to take the mules.

He said that several residents have also volunteered to take the mules.

"I don't understand how someone could just dump them," he said.

Burnett said the animals were left on Flat Top Road by someone authorities believe to be driving a white, older-model Ford truck with a red-and-white trailer.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Hancock County Sheriff's Office at 228-255-9191, Burnett said.

Burnett said those involved could face charges of animal cruelty, neglect and abandonment.

Wyman said the shelter could use donations in the form of bales of hay and bags of horse feed.

For more information, contact the Hancock County Animal Shelter at 228-466-4516.

LOCAL RESIDENT RECEIVES NATIONAL INDUSTRY

SEA COAST ECHO

Bay St. Louis resident John Wiebmer has received a career achievement award for his contributions to the global mining industry. Presented on February 28th during a gala evening event in Minneapolis, the Saunders Gold Medal citation reads "In recognition of a distinguished career and outstanding professional accomplishments in advancing safe and productive mining systems."

The Saunders Gold Medal has been periodically awarded since 1927 for achievements in the mining industry. It's funded by the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers (AIME), a professional

engineering association founded in 1871 with 145,000 members worldwide. One of the first winners of the medal was Herbert Hoover who led a distinguished mining career before entering national politics.

During John's 35-year career with Caterpillar Inc. he helped drive innovations in machine productivity and safety, improvements in technical support and customer relationships, and advancements in technology. During the 1990s he was a member of a team that pioneered development of autonomous (driverless) Caterpillar haulage trucks, fleets of which are now commercially operating on three continents.

John traveled the world extensively for Caterpillar

in marketing and business development roles, living in Geneva, Paris, Stockholm, and Beijing. He retired in 2015 as strategic director of Caterpillar's \$10 billion mining equipment division.

In retirement John and his wife Ning renovated a 120-year-old Bay St. Louis house as their principal residence, with time also spent in Colorado and traveling internationally. He serves on the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Community Foundation Board, Hancock County Library Foundation Board, Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis, and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

And if you're wondering, yes, the medal he received is made of gold.



Baria

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Democratic primary would face either incumbent U.S. Sen. Roger Wicker, state Sen. Chris McDaniel or Hancock County businessman Richard Boyanton in the general election in November.

Boyanton, owner of Scott Fence Co., a former U.S. Army paratrooper, decorated Vietnam vet and Purple Heart recipient, announced his candidacy in Diamondhead last month.

U.S. Rep. Steven Palazzo will also face competition this year. In the Republican primary, Palazzo will face E. Brian Rose. The winner of that race will take on lone Democratic candidate Jeramey Anderson of Moss Point in the general election.

MDAH

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However, MDAH Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer Ken P'Pool said last week that after Hurricane Katrina, the buildings at 207 and 209 were rebuilt with "public funds," or grants.

"Both are listed in the National Register of Historic Places," he said. "Pursuant to the terms of the easement, before work is undertaken, a written permit from MDAH must be issued."

P'Pool said MDAH utilizes the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings.

"These are nationally-accepted guidelines that are meant to retain a building's historic character," P'Pool said.

P'Pool said "someone" contacted MDAH about the locations and MDAH, in

turn, contacted the city and asked for the stop-work order.

Bay St. Louis Mayor Mike Favre on Wednesday confirmed that the city did issue the order.

Favre said that when the city approved the zoning changes, officials and the "owner" were unaware that MDAH was required to approve any construction to the building.

P'Pool said after he spoke with Favre, he then got in touch with MacPhaille and told him that MDAH would need to approve his plans and specifications for the proposed work.

Jim MacPhaille said last week that he turned in an application to MDAH and is working with the department.

"I'm working with them just like I did the historical commission," he said. "They are the ultimate decision-makers on historical buildings. They may not like some of the plans."

Originally, MacPhaille said, he planned for a

March opening, but that will now be delayed.

P'Pool said the process takes "at least 30 days."

Favre said that officials from MDAH met with MacPhaille Wednesday morning.

"He is working with them right now," Favre said. "I'm looking forward to getting these things approved so they can move on. The same process will take place with the A&G Theatre, which they now know in advance."

P'Pool said the easements for 207 and 209 Main St. are recorded in the land records and are part of the deed.

"It's a kind of covenant on the property," he said. "And in essence, the public is part owner, particularly the citizens of Mississippi."

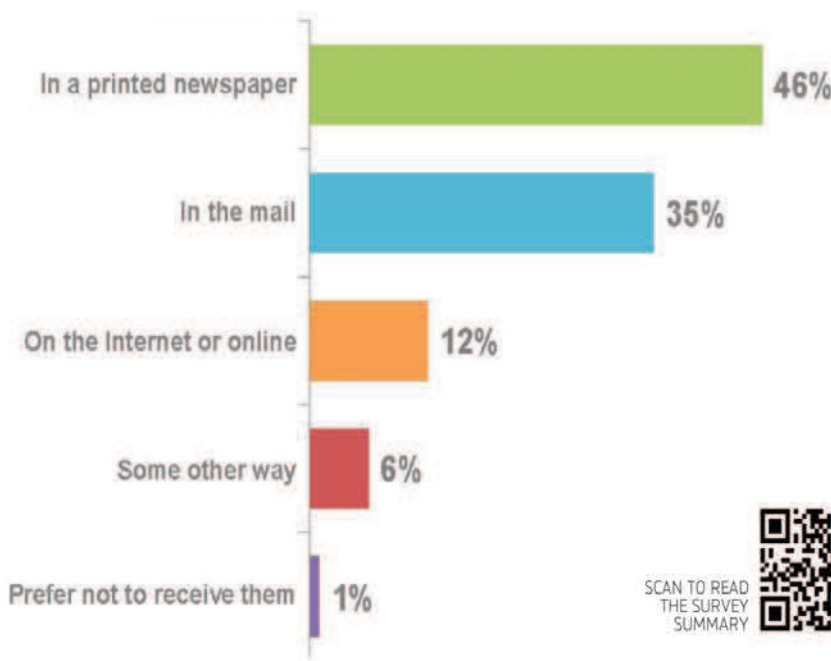
The easement on the buildings expires in 2028, P'Pool said.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL SEASON HITS *THE* DIAMOND

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The high school baseball season got underway this past weekend as soccer played out their state championships and basketball hit the final stretch of their state tournament runs.

The Bay High Tigers (2-1) defeated Forrest County AHS on Saturday 8-0 and beat North Forrest 13-0 on Saturday. On Tuesday, the Tigers fell to PRC 10-1.

Against FCAHS, Bay High scored two in the third, three in the fifth, one in the sixth and two in the seventh.

In the game, CJ Levandoski had a hit and an RBI while Cole Brady had a double. Skylar Hysell also had a hit with two RBIs. Joe Bell, Colby Oliver, and Addie Goscinski all had two hits. Oliver and Goscinski also had an RBI.

Against North Forrest,

Bay scored eight in the first, one in the second and four in the fourth to invoke the mercy rule.

In the game, Levandoski had a hit and RBI while Bell had a double with two RBIs. Brady, Oliver, Goscinski, Cooper Cooksey and Hysell all had hits. Oliver had three RBIs on his double while Goscinski also had an RBI. Cade Compretta had two hits in the win.

Against PRC, Bay scored their lone run in the second inning. Bell, Compretta, Brady, Cooksey and Hysell all had hits with Brady tallying the RBI.

Hancock opened the season with a 1-2 record. Last Thursday, the Hawks fell to PRC 7-0. Mississippi State signee Landon Jordan tallied the only hit for the Hawks.

Last Saturday, the Hawks stumbled against Picayune 6-3. Hancock jumped out to a 3-1 lead as

they put up two runs in the first and a run in the second.

Jordan had two hits while Nick Cuevas had a hit with two RBIs and Dustin Cuevas added a hit and an RBI.

The Hawks defeated West Harrison on Tuesday evening 4-1. Hancock scored a run in the first, one run in the third and two in the seventh.

Dalton Necaise led the way at the plate with two hits and three RBIs while Clayton Houchin added a hit and an RBI. Lane Ladner also had two hits in the win.

The Pass Christian Pirates have opened their season 1-2. Last Saturday, the Pirates topped Oak Forest Academy 3-2 and fell to West Marion 3-1 and 7-0 on Tuesday and Thursday.

Against Oak Forest, Pass Christian scored their runs in the sixth inning for the victory.

Logan Webb led the way at the plate with two hits and two RBIs while Mason Necaise, Ty Trocheset, Dustin Allison, Mason Knapp, Jansen Switzer and Nathan Weatherly all had hits. Allison and Dalton Freret each had an RBI.

The Pirates stumbled against West Marion 3-1 on Tuesday and 7-0 on Thursday. In Tuesday's game, Freret had two hits including a double. Game details were not available for Thursday's game.

The Rocks (2-0) have opened the season with two wins. SSC defeated Oak Forest Academy on Saturday 8-2 behind the bat of Colin Fredrickson who tallied a homerun and three RBIs in the game.

On Tuesday, the Rocks topped Enterprise 6-1. Peyton Sandroek was the winning pitcher allowing three hits in four innings with four strikeouts. Corbin O'Bannon came on

in relief.

Taylor LaFontaine led the charge at the plate with two hits while Daniel Wolfe added a hit with two RBIs. Trace Rhodes, Braxton Bean, Braxton Shirley and O'Bannon all had one hit. Fredrickson added an RBI in the win.

In upcoming action, the Bay High Tigers travel to

Resurrection today for a double-header and to Picayune on Tuesday. The Hancock Hawks travel to Poplarville today for a double-header and will host d'Iberville on Tuesday. The Rocks travel to Pascagoula today for a double-header. See you at the games!



Photo by Richard Gleber

SSC'S COLIN FREDRICKSON LAUNCHES HIS PITCH OUT OF THE PARK FOR A HOMERUN AGAINST OAK FOREST ACADEMY ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH. SSC WON THE GAME 8-2.

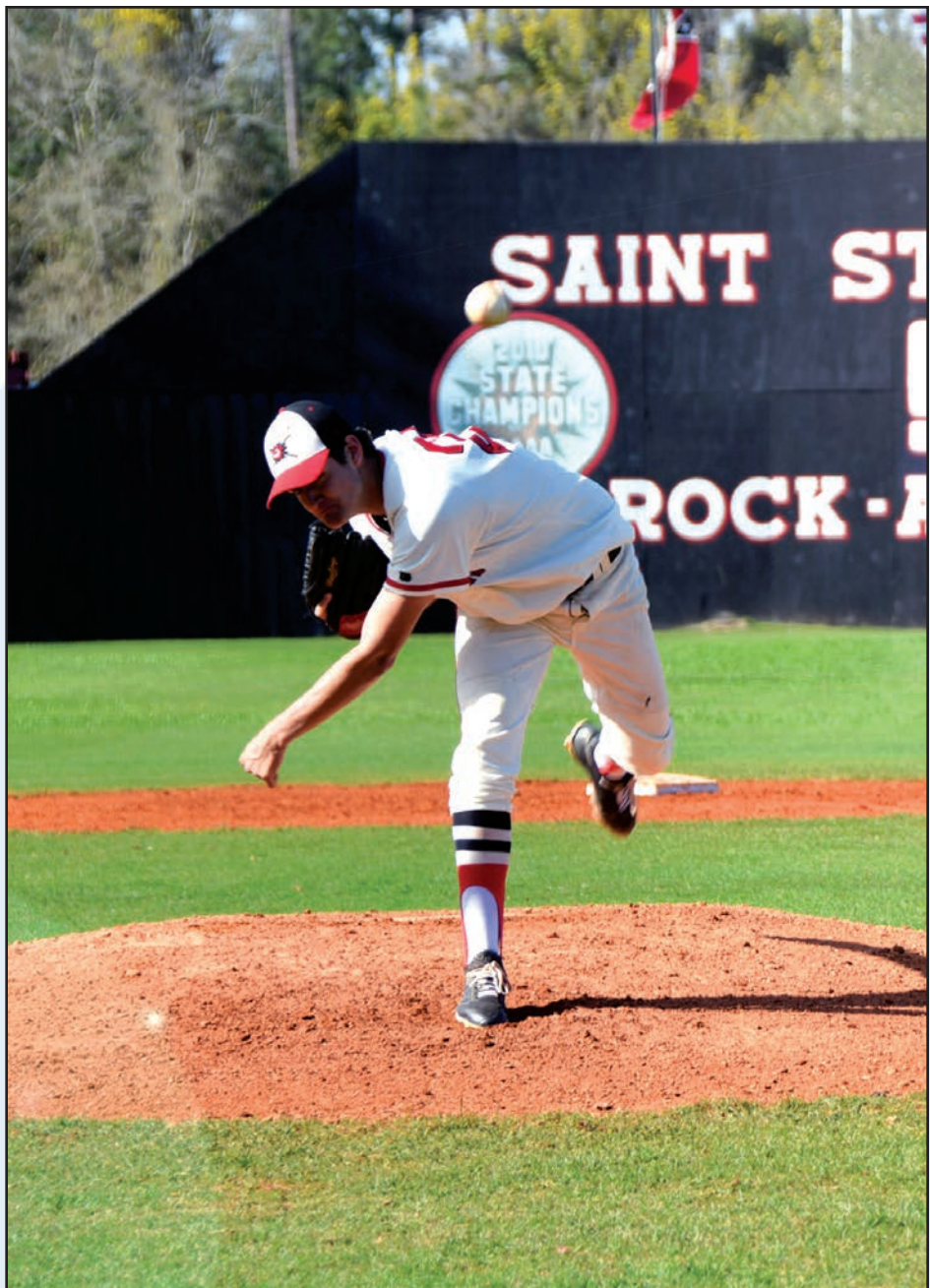


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SSC'S DANIEL WOLFE HURLS HIS PITCH TO THE PLATE IN THE ROCKS' 8-2 WIN LAST SATURDAY OVER OAK FOREST ACADEMY.

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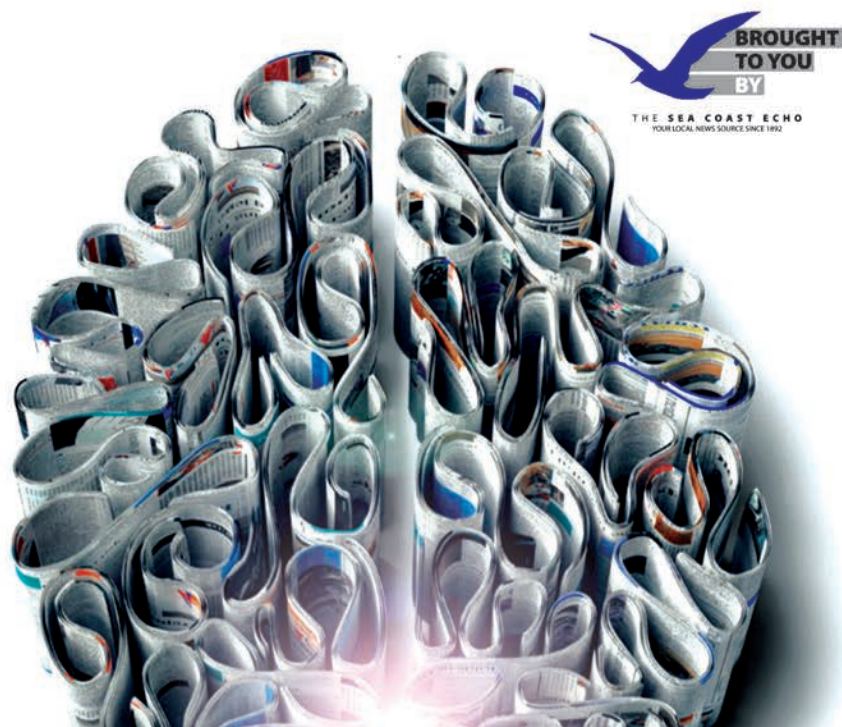
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SOFTBALL USHERS IN THE GIRLS OF SPRING

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The high school softball season has begun with teams hitting the diamond in earnest.

The Bay High Lady Tigers are currently 0-4 having fallen to Stone 2-1 last Saturday, to Poplarville 14-1 also on Saturday, and to Biloxi 5-0 the previous Thursday.

Against Biloxi, Aubrey Smith collected two hits while Kaylen Ott, Layla Drumm, and Lizzie Weems all collected one hit.

Against Poplarville, Smith also tallied two hits. Ahmia Khadaroo, Layla Waite, Ott, Drumm and Weems all tallied a hit. Smith had two hits while Weems secured the RBI.

Against Stone, Drumm and Weems both collected hits while Weems added the RBI.

Bay High fell to Poplarville 8-2 on Thursday evening but game details were not available.

The Hancock Lady Hawks have started the year at 4-0. They have defeated Pass Christian 4-0 on February 20th, Picayune 9-0 last Saturday and Long Beach 5-

0 on Tuesday.

Against Pass Christian, Hancock scored two runs in the first and a run in both the second and the sixth. Kaylan Ladner, Anna Peterson and Brooke Fagan all had hits while Jennah Necaise had two hits and an RBI. Peterson added an RBI while Fagan had two RBIs.

Against Picayune, Hancock scored four runs in the first, one in the fifth and sixth and three in the seventh.

Ladner had three hits including two doubles while Peterson had three hits and two RBIs.

Fagan also had three hits including two doubles and a RBI. Necaise had two hits while Brailey Smith, Gabby Lauga, and Lexi Turner each had a hit.

Against Long Beach, Hancock scored one run in the first and four runs in the sixth.

Ladner had two hits and an RBI while Paige Jordan had a hit with two RBIs. Turner also added an RBI.

Hancock also defeated St. Martin 8-7 on Saturday but game details were not available.

Pass Christian has a 1-1 record to start the year. They

defeated d'Iberville 6-4 on Thursday and fell to Hancock last week. Game details were not available for the Lady Pirates.

In upcoming action, the Bay High Lady Tigers will host Biloxi on Tuesday, travel to OLA on Wednesday and Picayune on Thursday.

Hancock hosts Poplarville today and travel to PRC on Tuesday. OLA will host Richton on Tuesday. See you at the games!

MARCH MEANS TIME FOR TURKEY SEASON

SEA COAST ECHO

JACKSON – For most, March is a time for beautiful spring weather and flowers in bloom. For Mississippi’s estimated 50,000 wild turkey hunters, it also brings something else. The spring turkey season begins on March 15th and ends May 1st. For hunters age 15 and under, the Youth season begins a week earlier on March 8th. Bag limits for the spring season are one adult gobbler (or gobbler with at least a 6-inch beard) per day, not to exceed three per spring season. Youth hunters 15 years of age and younger may harvest one

gobbler of choice per day, not to exceed three per spring season.

“Turkey hunting is a pretty popular pursuit in Mississippi,” said Adam Butler, the Wild Turkey Program Coordinator for the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks (MDWFP). “We don’t have as many turkey hunters as we do deer or duck hunters, but generally speaking, turkey hunters tend to be a very intense bunch,” continued Butler.

To participate in spring turkey season, Mississippi residents, ages sixteen through sixty-four, must obtain a hunting license

unless hunting on lands titled in their own name.

All non-resident hunters, except minors under the age of sixteen, are required to obtain a hunting license while hunting in the state of Mississippi. In addition to any statewide license requirements, purchase of a Wildlife Management Area User Permit is required prior to hunting on public Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs). Hunters planning to hunt WMAs or any other public lands are urged to check the area-specific regulations before going afield. Season dates and bag limits on some

Wildlife Management Areas may differ from the statewide framework. Hunting on many Wildlife Management Areas is by drawn permit only during the first two weeks of the season; some areas are permit-only throughout the entire season. Other public lands may also require special permits.

For more information regarding Mississippi’s spring turkey season, visit our website at www.mdwfp.com or call us at (601) 432-2212. Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/mdwfp or on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MDWFP online.

ALLIANCE FIELD DAY FOCUSES ON IRRIGATION, RELATED TECH

BY MS. SUSAN M. COLLINS-SMITH
MSU EXTENSION SERVICE

RAYMOND, Miss. - Agricultural professionals, educators and service providers are invited to attend a training session on irrigation, water management and related technologies.

Two identical sessions will be offered. The first is March 6 at the Small Farm Training Center in Carriere. The second is March 7 at Jumpertown High School in Booneville.

Topics include production of specialty crops on small farms and application of federally funded

cost-share programs and technical assistance for small farms.

Sessions also are open to those who support farmers interested in these techniques, including farm group leaders and producers who serve as mentors or trainers.

Registration for both sessions begins at 10 a.m. Both programs begin at 10:30 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required.

The Small Farm Training Center is located at 31492 Anner Road in Carriere. Jumpertown High School is located at 717 Highway 4 West in Booneville.

The sessions are funded by Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education.

Other partners include the Mississippi State University Extension Service, Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, Alcorn State University Extension Program, University of Mississippi Transactional Law Clinic, National Center for Appropriate Technology, Mississippi Department of Education and Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce.

To register, send an email to AllianceofSustainableFarms@gmail.com. For more

information, contact Keith Benson at 601-988-4999.

CONSIDER NEW TREES FOR DEER HABITAT

BY MR. BILL HAMRICK
MSU EXTENSION SERVICE

STARKVILLE, Miss. -- Deer season is over, and prescribed fire, timber management, planting food plots and other habitat improvements come later in the year, but one activity that’s perfect for February and early March is planting trees.

Broadleaf plants provide the foundation of a deer’s diet. Mast foods, items such as acorns and persimmons that accumulate on the forest floor, are more supplemental. From a management perspective, focus on supplying broadleaf plants, but you can certainly supplement that forage with hard and soft mast.

Late winter through early spring is the best time of year to plant trees and shrubs. The trees are dormant, and typically the soil is very moist.

When spring rolls around, newly planted trees will awaken in their new home on your hunting property.

Oaks and other hardwoods are an important food source for deer and other wildlife species, but remember that they are more of a long-term investment, as it will take up to 10 years -- and often much longer -- before you will see any significant acorn production.

Many wildlife managers and hunters plant trees that produce soft mast like persimmons, pears and crabapples.

The beauty of these species is they are fairly easy to establish and grow quickly. From a hunting perspective, you could see an appreciable fruit crop in five to seven years.

Also, deer and other wildlife relish soft

mast that can be used to supplement their diets. The fruit can be a very effective natural attractant.

Hunters often stay close to soft-mast trees in the archery season when those trees and shrubs commonly shed their fruit. Similarly, in October through December, firearm hunters seek out white oak or swamp chestnut oak trees, which are dropping acorns that attract deer.

Mast foods are high in carbohydrates and provide wildlife with a source of energy to carry out daily activities.

In the fall, animals seek out acorns and some soft fruits as they store energy in the form of fat to carry them through the winter. Acorns are low in protein but high in carbohydrates and fat -- much like ice cream to a human.

Some sites are not suited for all species of mast-producing trees.

Consult an expert to figure out what grows best in a particular area.

You will need to be familiar with how wet the site is and how much sunlight the seedlings will get.

Don’t plant the trees too closely together.

Envision how much space the tree will need 10 years later, when it’s fully grown. Most experts recommend planting trees 35 feet apart so each one can capture plenty of soil moisture and sunlight to maximize growth and fruit production.

If you are like me, and already missing deer season, get out in the woods and look for sites to plant some trees.

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The logo for the Mississippi Rare Action Network.



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From left, Hunter shows Bryant a helicopter.



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Hunter (right) greets guests at the Capitol.



Photo courtesy of Nancy Depreo

From left, Hunter visits with Bryant.

RARE DISEASE DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL

Local advocates travel to Jackson to witness Governor Phil Bryant sign proclamation



Photo courtesy of Nancy Depreo

From left, Nancy Depreo, Hunter Bingham and Gov. Phil Bryant



Photo courtesy of Nancy Depreo

A signed proclamation for Rare Disease Day.

BY CASSANDRA TAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Gov. Phil Bryant on Wednesday signed a proclamation designating Feb. 28 as Rare Disease Day.

On hand to witness the signing were Nancy Depreo and five-year-old Hunter Bingham of Hancock County.

Depreo serves as the Mississippi Volunteer State Ambassador for the Rare Action Network, which is under the umbrella of the National Organization for Rare Disorders.

Depreo said that there are more than 7,000 rare diseases. More than 400,000 Mississippi residents have been diagnosed with a rare disease and 200,000 of those are children, she said.

One of those children is Hunter. Hunter is the son of Beth and Ray Jay and has three siblings.

When she was pregnant with Hunter, Beth said, he wasn't gaining weight.

At about 32 weeks, the doctors decided to perform a C-section. Hunter weighed two pounds and 12 ounces when he was born, she said.

When Hunter was about 14 months old, Beth said, her son became ill.

"The pediatrician said he looked different and that there might be something more serious wrong with him," she said. "He referred us to a geneticist at Children's Hospital in New Orleans."

It was there that doctors diagnosed Hunter with Russell Silver syndrome, a rare disease that stunts

growth and development in children, Beth said.

"We've been lucky," she said. "We had a few setbacks in the beginning."

According to the U.S. National Library of Medicine's website, Russell-Silver syndrome is a "growth disorder characterized by slow growth before and after birth."

Head growth is normal, however, so the head may appear unusually large compared to the rest of the body. Affected children are thin and have poor appetites and some develop recurrent episodes of low blood sugar as a result of feeding difficulties.

Other physical characteristics of the syndrome include: a small triangular face; prominent forehead; narrow chin; small jaw; downturned corners of the mouth; unusual curving of the fifth finger; uneven growth of some parts of the body and digestive problems, the website states.

Beth said that Hunter's right side of his body is bigger than the left side.

"Educational, he's fine," she said. "But he's very small for his age."

Hunter, who is a student at East Hancock Elementary, is administered a growth hormone injection six times per week.

There is no specific treatment for Russell-Silver syndrome, Beth added.

"The injections help him grow," she said. "He's gotten a lot taller and weighs about 40 pounds now. That's all we have to do. We've been very lucky that all it's affected is his growth."

Beth said that other children affected by this syndrome are constantly in the hospital. She added that about one in 100,000 people will be diagnosed with Russell-Silver syndrome.

Beth said Hunter will receive shots until he's about 14-to-16-years old.

After finding out Hunter's diagnosis, Beth said, "it was scary."

"You don't know what you're looking for and watch everything," she said.

But Beth wants her son to remember that being smaller doesn't mean he can't do what he sets his mind to.

"I don't want him to think he can't because he's too little," she said.

Beth described Hunter as "very outgoing" and that the syndrome "doesn't affect him at all."

"He never meets a stranger and has to be the center of attention everywhere he goes," she said.

She said that was true when Hunter met Gov. Phil Bryant on Wednesday.

Depreo, who is also a friend of the Bingham family, invited the Bingham family to participate in Rare Disease Day.

"He said he was going to see the president," Beth said. "He loved it. He was amazed by the Capitol and how big it was. The governor gave him a toy helicopter from his office and that's all he talks about."

Learn more about Rare Action Network at www.rareaction.org and the National Organization for Rare Disorders at www.rarediseases.org.



Governor Phil Bryant signs the Rare Disease Day proclamation.

Photo courtesy of Nancy Depreo

Scenes from Coffee With a Bay St. Louis Cop

February's event was held at Sonny's Cypress Cafe on Wednesday. Photos by Cassandra Favre



From left, BSL Police Dept. Community Liaison Ernest Taylor, Sonny's Cypress Cafe owner Sonny Wright, Bay St. Louis Police Chief Gary Ponthieux and Hancock County Sheriff Ricky Adam.



Waveland Police Chief David Allen and several of his officers also attended Wednesday's event.



Chief Deputy Don Bass (right) speaks to a resident.



Cpt. John Luther (right) speaks to a citizen.

Students of the Month



From left, Jasmine Robinson and Braden Houchin.

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Each month the 7th grade Pathfinder Team at Hancock Middle School selects two students as Student of the Month. The students are chosen based on 3 A's: Achievement, Academics and Attendance. For January, the students chosen were Jasmine Robinson and Braden Houchin.

Jasmine is a member of the SADD Club and Yearbook Staff. Outside of school she participates in cheer and dance. Her hobbies include babysitting and tutoring children.

Braden Houchin is a member of the HMS baseball team and plays quarterback for the 7th grade football team. He also participates in travel baseball. His hobbies include fishing, riding four wheelers, playing paint ball and baseball.

Easter Passion play at Central Bible Church

SEA COAST ECHO

On Friday and Saturday nights, March 30-31, weather permitting, Central Bible Church will be presenting an Easter Passion Play called "Behold the Lamb" outdoors on an outside sound stage.

This multimedia event will cover the betrayal, the crucifixion, and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Admission will be free. There will be plenty of outdoor seating for everyone.

Hopefully folks passing on the highway will stop in and watch out of curiosity! We want to invite folks from other churches who want to join us and take part in the passion play to fill singing as well as non-singing roles and non-speaking dramatic roles (actors). Anyone interested can contact Pastor Mike Ramsey at (228) 493-4796 (leave a message) OR they can just show up for the next rehearsal, which is every Sunday night at 6 p.m. at the church.

C&R's 11th Annual Crawfish Cookoff

Proceeds from event to benefit the Hope Haven Children's Advocacy Center

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 • Beach-nesting birds of the Mississippi Gulf Coast

Come learn the natural history of beach-nesting birds on the Mississippi Coast is the theme for the next Authors & Characters @ Your Library program on Tuesday, March 6 at 11:45 a.m. at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library. Molly Folkerts Caldwell with the Audubon Society, will discuss the threats beach-

nesting birds face, what the public can do to share the shores with nesting birds, and the work the Audubon does on the Coast. Lunch is available for \$10 payable to The Library Foundation at the door. Reservations required. Call 228-467-5282 to make yours today.
 • Saturday is the last day for the Gigantic Book Sale at East Hancock County Library
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at the East Hancock County Library. More boxes of books are daily being delivered. Prices on Saturday, March 3 is \$1.00 per yard. Proceeds from the book sale will be used to purchase new books at the East Hancock County Library.
 • Lunch & Learn: Find Your Tax Forms
 Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library - Wednesday, Mar. 7 from 12 noon – 1 p.m.
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This year's cold weather may help control insects

BY MS. BONNIE A. COBLENTZ MSU EXTENSION SERVICE

STARKVILLE, Miss. -- Mississippi temperatures got into the single digits this winter, which many people think of as bug-killing weather, but experts say that is not always the case.
 Mike Brown, state climatologist and Mississippi State University professor of geosciences, said the state saw a low of -1 degree at Independence in Tate County on Jan. 18. Overall, the state averaged temperatures about 4 degrees lower than normal in January.
 "For this past January, parts of the state had three consecutive days below freezing, which is not typical," Brown said. "There were a number of periods in the mid- to late 1980s where areas in the northern part of the state remained below freezing for up to five days."
 Brown said it is not uncommon for Mississippi to experience short periods of very low temperatures.
 "If we look at the totality of the climate records dating back to the late 1880s, for most locations, this would have been somewhere around the 10th or 15th coldest

January," he said.
 Blake Layton, entomologist with the MSU Extension Service, said many people are hoping these temperatures will drastically reduce the populations of summer insects.
 "Unfortunately, cold winter temperatures don't affect insect numbers as much as we might wish," Layton said. "Most of our native species are also in more northern regions of the country and are very well adapted to surviving cold winters."
 Native insects cope with the cold in a variety of ways, mostly involving spending the winter in an immature life stage, whether egg, larva or pupa. Adults often seek out protected habitats for overwintering.
 "Many insects burrow into the soil to pupate, while others seek out protected sites such as leaf litter, hollow trees or under bark," Layton said. "Also, many insects are able to survive exposure to freezing temperatures and have 'antifreeze' in their blood that prevents them from suffering cold injury."
 In terms of insect mortality, the number of consecutive, extremely cold days matters even more than the actual thermometer readings.
 "Here in Mississippi,

we rarely have more than a few days in a row with sub-freezing temperatures, and it is even more rare to have consecutive days when the high temperatures do not exceed 32 degrees," Layton said. "Many insects overwinter in some type of sheltered, insulating situation, which allows them to survive short periods of very cold ambient temperatures."
 This year, sustained cold over consecutive days allowed the soil to freeze as much as 2 inches deep in places. But this level of cold is not likely to have much noticeable impact on summer populations of most native pest species.
 While native insects can handle typical winters, non-native or introduced pests often struggle.
 "Impacts of severe winters on non-native species depends on where a particular species originates from," Layton said. "If it comes from a cold climate, it will be largely unaffected by our winters, but pests

that come from tropical and subtropical climates can be greatly impacted."
 Layton said insects that will be affected by the 2017-2018 winter include Argentine ants and Southern green stinkbugs. Fall armyworms were eliminated by the cold, but even milder winters kill them. Fall armyworm moths will return to the state this year from more southern regions, just as they do every year. Redbanded stinkbugs, a non-native subtropical species that has been a significant pest in row crops during the past couple of years, should be largely eliminated for the year.
 Some insects will suffer few or no effects of Mississippi's cold winter: honeybees, Eastern subterranean termites, Southern house mosquitoes, imported fire ants, tomato fruitworms or corn earworms, and green and brown marbled stinkbugs.



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WCA changes route and time for St. Patrick's Day parade

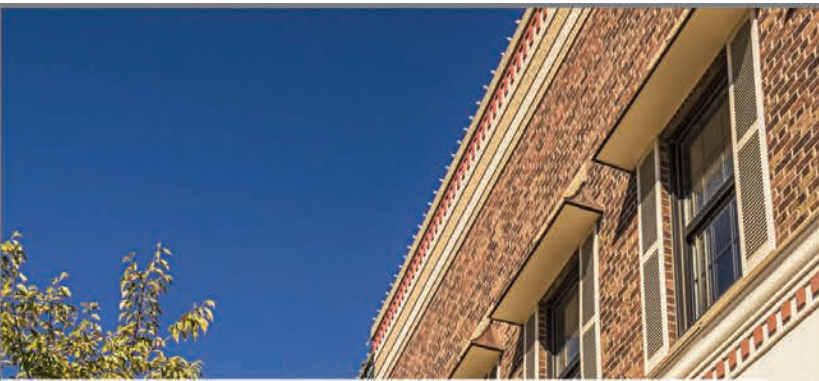
SEA COAST ECHO
The Waveland Civic Association has announced a change of route and time for its annual St. Patrick's Day parade, which is scheduled for March 17 at noon. This year's parade will line up on Waveland Avenue, turn

right on Central, go down Coleman Avenue, then right on Beach Blvd. and travel back to Waveland Avenue. For more, call Shorty Necaise at 671-9570, Jay Lagasse at 216-0357, Paul Pitts at 216-0091 or Roger Estopinal at 493-9857.

MAC now accepting grant applications

SEA COAST ECHO
JACKSON, MISS. – The Mississippi Arts Commission is now accepting applications from individuals and organizations for the agency's annual grant programs. The upcoming application deadline is Thursday, March 1, 2018, at 5 p.m. for operating and project grants to organizations and schools, as well as fellowships, apprenticeships, artist roster and teaching artist roster for individual artists.
 Grants to organizations fund a broad range of arts projects in Mississippi communities and help non-profit arts organizations maintain financial stability, build organization capacity and improve artist programs. Grant funds are also

available to organizations for presenting a roster artist or teaching artist.
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 Complete grant guidelines and instructions on how to use MAC's new eGRANT system can be found on the agency's website at www.arts.ms.gov or by calling (601) 359-6030 for more details. First time applicants are strongly encouraged to call and speak with a MAC staff member about their project before submitting an application.



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A lot of problems in society today are because of our low morals, unethical values, lack of discipline, and no desire for what the future holds. Maybe our parents didn't care enough to discipline us in the ways we needed it most. Remember what King Solomon told us in Proverbs 13:24; "He who spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is careful to discipline him."

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TODAY'S WEATHER:

TODAY'S LUNCH:

The Ate News

YOUR SOURCE FOR NEWS ABOUT YOURSELF

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MORNING EDITION

(YOUR NAME)

releases new list of favorites

Favorite School Subject:

Favorite Food:

Favorite Weekend Activity:

Favorite Movie:

Favorite Book:

Favorite Animal:

Favorite Song:

I'm Really Good At:

A Place I'd Like To Visit:

A Busy Morning

By _____
(YOUR NAME)News stories should always include **facts**.

Think about something that happened this morning. Did you almost miss the bus? Did you help make breakfast?

Then list the *who*, *what*, *when*, *where* and *why* about this morning.

Who: _____

What: _____

Where: _____

When: _____

Why: _____

OPINION

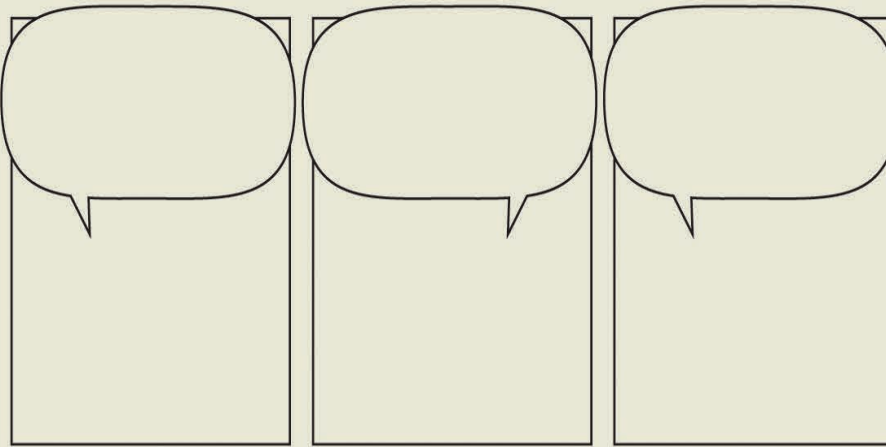
How to Improve My School

By _____
(YOUR NAME)

Editorials are newspaper articles where **opinions** are shared. Write an editorial about your school. Try to offer ideas for a solution to a problem at your school.

My Comic Strip

Create a comic strip by writing a favorite joke in the bubbles. Then draw a picture in each frame to go with the words.


Extra! Extra!

Be a Math Star Scavenger Hunt

In today's newspaper, look for:

- 3 numbers that add up to your age
- 3 numbers that add up to your address
- 3 numbers that up to a parent's age

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

How many differences can you find between these two pictures?



Standards Link: Observation: Find the differences between common objects.

Kid Scoop Word Search

NEWSPAPER
BREAKFAST
OPINIONS
BUBBLES
MORNING
SOURCE
SCHOOL
ANIMAL
COMIC
IDEAS
WEATHER
WHAT
WHEN
WHO
BUS

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

S	I	O	P	I	N	I	O	N	S
E	T	S	A	F	K	A	E	R	B
L	W	H	A	T	L	W	N	G	T
B	I	D	E	A	S	R	N	N	L
B	U	S	M	P	O	E	E	I	O
U	H	I	A	H	U	H	H	N	O
B	N	P	W	E	R	W	W	R	H
A	E	N	E	W	C	I	M	O	C
R	E	H	T	A	E	W	S	M	S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.


Kid Scoop Together:

Family News

Reading Kid Scoop with your family is a great time to learn about each other.

Show your parents your completed *Kid Scoop* page. Then interview one of your family members for their own column on this page.

(FAMILY MEMBER'S NAME)

releases new list of favorites

Favorite School Subject:

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Favorite Animal:

Favorite Song:

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Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoo-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word **NEWS** in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

N	S	W	
			N
W		N	S
S	N		

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
OPINION

The noun **opinion** means a judgement, viewpoint or belief not necessarily based on fact.

The class shared good **opinions** about the new school lunch menu.

Try to use the word **opinion** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

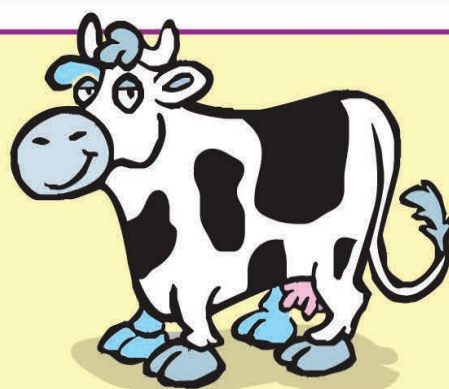
It's All About YOU!

Look through the newspaper and circle five or more adjectives that tell how wonderful you are! Then, use these adjectives to write a short news story about yourself.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Which newspaper do cows read every day?

ANSWER: The Daily Moos.



Write On! Sweet Talk

Have you ever sweet-talked someone into helping you with a chore or into simply doing it for you? How did you do it?

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083 Items For Sale

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093 Yard Sale

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128 Boats & Motors

128 Boats & Motors

FOR SALE: MOTORGUIDE trolling motor, salt water, 24V, 60-inch, like new, \$575. Call 479-437-3256. BSL.

136 Automobiles

Notice Of Abandoned Vehicle
The following vehicle will be sold on March 13, 2018 Time: 9:00AM
Location of Sale:
20596 Highway 43, Picayune, MS 39466.

2005 CHRYSLER 300
VIN# 2C3AA53G85H630699

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The following vehicles will be sold on March 16, 2018 Time: 9:00AM
Location of Sale: 20596 Highway 43, Picayune, MS 39466.

2013 CHEVY CRUZE
VIN# 1G1PH5SBXD7125113
2010 KIA SOUL
VIN# KNDJT2A29A7097764

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Notice Of Abandoned Vehicles
The following vehicles will be sold on Feb. 28, 2018.

2004 PONTIAC G.P.
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VIN# 1HGCD7263SA037957
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DARLENE MITCHELL PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
STEVEN E. MITCHELL DEFENDANT
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:17-CV-424-CB
SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: STEVEN E. MITCHELL
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You are summoned to appear and defend against the temporary relief sought in said Complaint or Petition at 9:00 am. on the 7th day of March, 2018, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint or Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 20th day of February, 2018.
(SEAL)
Tim A. Keller, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: D. L. Lee DC

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY NANCE HAYDEN, DECEASED
SUZANE BLUESTONE, PETITIONER
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CAUSE NO. 2:CH1:17-CV-00648-JS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY HAVING BEEN GRANTED ON THE 5TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2018, BY THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO THE UNDERSIGNED UPON THE ESTATE OF MARY NANCE HAYDEN, DECEASED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST SAID ESTATE TO PRESENT THE SAME TO THE CLERK OF SAID COURT FOR PROBATE AND REGISTRATION ACCORDING TO LAW WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THIS DATE, OR THEY WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. THIS 20TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2018.
/S/SUZANE BLUESTONE, EXECUTRIX
THE CASANO LAW FIRM, P.A.
4430 WEST ALOHA DRIVE
DIAMONDHEAD, MISSISSIPPI 39525
228-255-0035
02/24; 03/03; 03/10/18

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CHRISTOPHER LEE PETITIONER
VERSUS
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF EILEEN CIPOLLA HEBBLER, DECEASED, AND ANY OTHER PERSONS, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN OR HAVING AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN
RESPONDENTS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HARRISON
CAUSE NO. 18-cv-1118-CB
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO: Unknown heirs at law of EILEEN CIPOLLA HEBBLER, DECEASED.
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Christopher Lee, Petitioner, seeking to establish heirship. Defendants in this action are unknown to the Petitioner.
You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against the unknown heirs at law of Eileen Cipolla Hebbler, Deceased, in this action at 9:00 O'Clock A.M. on the 29th day of March, 2018, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse at Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 22nd day of February, 2018.
(SEAL)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
BY: R. JOHNSON DEPUTY CLERK
152 Main Street, Suite A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Perry, Murr, Teel & Koenenn
625 16th Street
Gulfport, MS 39507
228-896-0020
03/03; 03/10; 03/17/18

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KELLEY GRACE MCARTHUR, DECEASED
EARL JAMES MCARTHUR, ADMINISTRATOR
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:18-CV-845S
SUMMONS
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, AT LAW OF KELLEY GRACE MCARTHUR, DECEASED, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY INTEREST TO THE ESTATE OF KELLEY GRACE MCARTHUR, WHOSE NAMES, POST OFFICE BOXES AND ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER A DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.
You have been made a Defendant in a petition/suit filed in this Court by Earl James McArthur, Jr., Administrator, seeking to establish the heirs at law of Kelley Grace McArthur, Deceased.
You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 a.m. on the 19th day of March, 2018, in the Chancery Courtroom of Hancock County in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief or other things demanded in the Petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 14th day of February, 2018.
(SEAL)
Hon. Timothy A. Keller
By: D. L. Lee Deputy Clerk
The Law Office of Mark Carter PLLC
305 Reese Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
228-231-1328 tel.
02/17; 02/24; 03/03/18

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PINEY WOODS PROPERTIES, LLC PLAINTIFF
VS.
DEBORAH M. STIEFFEL; CYNTHIA TEZINO; TIMOTHY TEZINO; HARRISON FINANCE CO.; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; DELBERT HOSEMANN, IN HIS CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR ENTITIES HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS COMPLAINT IDENTIFIED AS HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
TAX PARCEL NO. 0437-0-06-050.000
DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 18-cv-10-SS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: DEBORAH M. STIEFFEL; CYNTHIA TEZINO, AND TIMOTHY TEZINO, WHOSE ADDRESSES AND POST OFFICE BOXES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.
You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Piney Woods Properties, LLC, Plaintiff. The parties other than you in this suit are The State of Mississippi; Harrison Finance Co.; Delbert Hosemann in his capacity as Secretary of State of Mississippi; Hancock County, Mississippi; Joel Smith, District Attorney for Hancock County, Mississippi; and any and all other persons having or claiming interest in and to the property described in the complaint.
You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint to Jordan R. Mathews, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 2355 Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi 39531.
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 3RD DAY OF MARCH WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THE SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.
You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 27th day of February, 2018.
(SEAL)
Timothy A. Keller
Clerk of Hancock County, MS
By: R. Lee, DC

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IN RE: ESTATE OF BETTE WILSON CADWELL, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:18-CV-00063-JS
EXECUTRIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF BETTE WILSON CADWELL
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY HAVING BEEN GRANTED ON THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2018, BY THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO THE UNDERSIGNED UPON THE ESTATE OF BETTE WILSON CADWELL, DECEASED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST SAID ESTATE TO PRESENT THE SAME TO THE CLERK OF SAID COURT FOR PROBATE AND REGISTRATION ACCORDING TO LAW WITHIN 90 DAYS FROM THIS DATE, OR THEY WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D., 2018.
STEPHANIE LYNN CADWELL, EXECUTRIX
HAAS AND HAAS ATTORNEYS
201 N. SECOND STREET
BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520
228-467-6574
MS BAR NO. 5091
03/03; 03/10; 03/17/18

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PAMELA KAYE CAMBRE PLAINTIFF
VS.
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DEFENDANTS
CIVIL ACTION NO.: 23CH1:18-cv-127JS
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You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed in this action to BRAD D. WILKINSON, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 511 Keywood Circle, Flowood, MS 39323.
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Bay-Waveland Garden Club to host 2018 Spring Pilgrimage Tour

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The Bay-Waveland Garden Club will host their annual Spring Pilgrimage Home Tour on Saturday, March 24, from noon to 4 p.m.

This year marks the 80th Anniversary of service by the Garden Club to the communities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

The Theme for this year's Tour in honor of this Anniversary is "80 Years and Still Growing!"

All of the venues on the Tour this year will feature homes and a church that were constructed before 1938, the year the Garden Club was organized.

In addition to the annual Pilgrimage, the club continues to offer educational programs at their monthly meetings which are held the second Thursday of the month at 10:00am, the Old Town Presbyterian Church on Illinois Ave. in Bay St. Louis from September through May. A coffee social begins at 9:30am and the meeting follows at 10:00.

Gardening programs for children are provided

working with the local schools, as well as to the elderly at Dunbar Village Nursing Home.

The Club hosts a Christmas Flower Show each year as part of the Hancock County Library System's Christmas Tree Gala.

Other programs provided to the community by the Club are: Arbor Day Planting, International Coastal Beach Clean-Up, Oak Tree Registration, Community Garden in Bay St. Louis, floral arrangements for the Library monthly "Author's and Characters Luncheon" Backyard Habitat promoting food, shelter, and water for birds and animals being displaced by development in the local area, Plant Bay-Waveland promoting the beautification of commercial areas of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

Bay Waveland is an award winning Garden Club voted best Garden Club in the Mississippi Spanish Trail District in 2016.

Meetings are open to the public and guests are

always welcome.

The Venues for the 2018 Spring Pilgrimage Tour are:

"Fais Do Do" the main residence of John and Ning Wiebner, built in the 1880's. The center hall design is on a foundation of brick piers. Character defining features include an inset full width front porch with sidelights and transom. In 2015, the owners commissioned a down to the rafters and studs renovation creating a 3 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath principal residence with a boudoir, small chapel, sauna spa, courtyard, entertainment area, and upstairs gallery for the grandchildren.

"Gareconniere" the Wiebner's guest house located next door to the main residence is nestled in a quaint picket fence with a pergola shading the gateway leading to a cozy screened porch.

The home of Kevin Cardamone was built in 1930, and rebuilt in 2014. Cardamone spotted the home on a visit to Bay St. Louis. Each time he returned looking for prop-

erty, this home kept coming back to mind. He approached the owners with an offer since the home had been abandoned after Hurricane Katrina in 2005, and the rest is history. The winds of the hurricane tore the front and rear sections of the roof away. The interior was gutted saving as much of the original bead board as possible. Much of the wood and original windows were re-used in the renovation. The renovation used the original floor plan moving doors and walls to make the home more usable as a 2 bedroom, 2 bath home.

The Care House is the only residential home in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi currently on the Department of Interior's Register of National Historic sites. Built in 1890, by New Orleans painter, Paul Surcouf, it has been recognized for its architectural precedence. The small front porch is sheltered by its original Vermont slate roof tiles. In the style of New Orleans, it boasts giant louvered storm

shutters and ancient tongue-and-groove Cypress decking. Nine foot windows stand silently, symmetrically on either side of the front door entrance. This residence was also placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980, as the best preserved example in Bay St. Louis of the colonial Revival style cottage with its gable-on-hip roof, palladian motif gable window, central entrance, and square columns with capitals.

Originally St. John's Methodist South, Main Street United Methodist Church has been a focal point of downtown Bay St. Louis since 1842, when the

town was known as Shieldsboro. Officially organized in 1952, the leader was Mr. E. D. Pitts, a local school teacher. It was replaced in 1895, with the building that is now the main sanctuary, which was completed in 1900. Records show it was wired for electricity in 1899 for \$36.00. One of the sanctuary's outstanding features is the beautiful collection of stained glass windows, and the diagonal paneling and arching done by John D. Baschell of Long Beach. The beautiful steeple of the original structure was rebuilt after being damaged in Hurricane Katrina in 2005.



Guest house of John Wiebner



Home of John Wiebner



Home of Kevin Cardamone



The Domoulin home



Main St. United Methodist Church

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